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John R. Hoffman  
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Re: Toll Free IMG Extension Request

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

We have received your November 29, 2000 letter to Ms. Dorothy Attwood, Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, advising that the North American Numbering Council (NANC) has formed an issue management group (IMG) in response to the Commission's request for advice from NANC on how best to administer toll free numbers (CC Docket No. 95-155). Specifically, the Commission sought NANC's recommendation to facilitate the selection of a toll free number administrator through a competitive bidding process, and the Commission requested NANC to develop technical requirements for toll free number administration. The NANC was asked to submit its report within 180 days of the effective date of the Commission's July 5, 2000 order. You indicate that the IMG reached an impasse and that it does not appear possible to reach a consensus on the use of a competitive bid to select a new toll free administrator. You state that efforts are continuing to produce a technical requirements document and that additional time, until March 30, 2001, is needed to complete that work.

While we wish to receive a complete report from NANC as soon as possible, we appreciate the work that the NANC has undertaken to provide a report on toll free administration technical requirements. We recognize the complexity of the issues surrounding toll free administration and request that the NANC submit its comprehensive report no later than March 30, 2001.

Sincerely,

Yog R. Varma  
Deputy Chief  
Common Carrier Bureau

cc: Charles Keller, Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau  
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